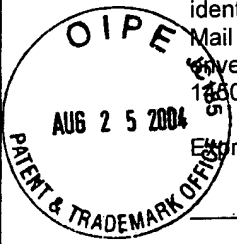


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SUBSTITUTE AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the "Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment" dated August 19, 2004, and having a shortened one-month response period, Applicants submit the following (substitute) Amendment with corrected claim status identifiers.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 15 of this paper.